

A Short Account of a Second Engagement, *King's Army*

That happened on Monday Night and Tuesday ^{1326. A.D.}
Morning, between the King and Prince
of Oranges Army near

WINDSOR:

With the King's withdrawing from White-Hall,
and the Burning of the Popish Mass-Houses;
as also the Surrender of the Tower of London.

WE Promis'd in our Last, a fuller Account of the Engagement at *Reading*; but there happen'd since a deeper Skirmish between the same Forces, and other surprizal Accidents since of greater Consequence, obliges us for the Publick Satisfaction, to give a further Account of the present Occurrences.

The King's Forces at *Reading*, for the smallness of their Number, being worsted; The Prince's Army, without any considerable Resistance, made their gradual Approaches towards *Windsor*, where some Regiments of the King's being Quarter'd, went out in Battalia to Oppose them. The Fight began in the Evening, which continued all Night, with fierce Skirmishes, manag'd with all the Art and Stratagems that Experience or Courage cou'd direct. In the Morning, coming to a resolute Re-encounter, when the Prince of *Orange* prevailing, got an absolute Conquest. This sudden Defeat, with Horror and Consternation, drew the Residue of the Vanquish'd Forces towards *London*, as their last Sanctuary. But the consequence is as deplorable, when coming to Town, they were Disbanded by their Officers, as were several other Regiments the same day.

The King having notice of this Defeat, withdrew from Court, with a few Nobles, on *Tuesday* Morning, about Two a Clock; the Queen and Young Prince being gone the day before.

The consequence of this, was as Deplorable as His Majesty's Absenting, when the Commonalty taking advantage of this Opportunity, did what seem'd good in their own Eyes; and the same Night, they gathering into Multitudes in several parts of the City, made great Bonfires, by pulling down the Popish Mass-Houses, viz. That of St. Jones's, *Lincoln's-Inn-Fields*, *Lime-street*, &c. Burning their Foppish Trumpetry in *Smithfield*, and in other open places convenient for that purpose.

The same day the Lord Mayor, sitting in Council, order'd the Government of the *Tower* into the Hands of the City.

The Prince, without Resistance, is now Marching towards the City, with his Intire Body. There being this day Arriv'd here some Officers Commissioners from His Highness, to assign Quarters for his Van-Guard, whose Orders are effectually performed, and Quarters already Taken in *Holbourn* and else-where; they being expected in Town to Morrow, and the Prince on *Thursday*.